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## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below-named inventors, we hereby declare that our residences, post office addresses, and citizenships are as stated below next to our names.

We believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "DISSIMILATORY SULFATE REDUCTION AS A PROCESS TO PROMOTE DENITRIFICATION IN MARINE RECIRCULATING AQUACULTURE SYSTEMS," the specification of which was filed July 29, 2006 as U.S. Patent Application No. 10/588,256, under the provisions of 35 USC §371, based on and claiming the benefit of International Patent Application PCT/US05/02745 filed January 31, 2005.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the patentability and examination of the present application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 (a).

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) and/or §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this specification is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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